

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN RESOURCES Bureau for Medical Services

Bill J. Crouch
Cabinet Secretary
Commissioner

MEMORANDUM

TO: WV Medicaid Members, Providers and Plans

FROM: Cynthia Beane, MSW, LCSW

Commissioner

DATE: March 18, 2022

RE: Medicaid coverage of COVID-19 self-testing kits

Effective January 26, 2022

Update posted January 28, 2022

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the West Virginia Bureau for Medical Services (BMS) is implementing coverage for the following four (4) approved at-home COVID-19 self-test kits, effective January 26, 2022:

BinaxNOW COVID-19 Antigen Self Test
CareStart COVID-19 Antigen Home Test
InteliSwab COVID-19 Rapid Test
QuickVue At-Home COVID-19 Test
IHEALTH COVID-19 AG Home Test
(NDC 11877001140)
(NDC 50010022431)
(NDC 08337000158)
(NDC 14613033972)
(NDC 56362000589)

Members paying for test kits out of pocket cannot be reimbursed.

These tests require a prescription written by an enrolled WV Medicaid Prescriber and MUST be billed through the pharmacy to be covered by Medicaid. Pharmacists may write these prescriptions using their own enrolled NPI or their enrolled Pharmacy NPI.

WV Medicaid will cover one (1) test kit per member, per week. The pharmacist is responsible for observing the approved age limits for each kit.

BMS will continue to monitor the situation and work closely with our state and federal partners gathering further information and directives and will provide further notification if an extension is received.